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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Takayuki SUGAHARA

Serial No. 09/469,499

: Group Art Unit: 2613

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: Examiner: LEE, Y YOUNG

For:

APPARATUS FOR PROTECTION OF DATA REPRODUCTION ACCORDING TO PROTECTION DATA AND FIRST AND SECOND APPARATUS PROTECTION DATA TO DETERMINE WHETHER MAIN DATA AT SPECIFIED POSITIONS ARE REPRODUCED IN THEIR ENTIRETY, PARTIALLY, OR NOT AT ALL (as amended herein)

AMENDMENT

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Final Official Action mailed December 23, 2004, enclosed herewith is a Request for Continued Examination. The present amendment is provided in support of said Request.

Amendments to the Specification begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks relevant to the present response begin at page 6 of this paper.